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Sustainable development: United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development

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United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 59/237 of 22 December 2004 and all other previous resolutions on the United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development,

Acknowledging the importance of education for achieving sustainable development, including in the context of the Millennium Development Goals, Agenda 21,[1] the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development ("Johannesburg Plan of Implementation")[2] and the Education for All initiative,

Taking into account that education has become more specialized, and recognizing the importance of promoting a holistic approach towards education for sustainable development and the need to reinforce the interdisciplinary linkages of the three pillars of sustainable development, including different branches of knowledge,

Recognizing the role of education for sustainable development in promoting the eradication of poverty and a more sustainable model of consumption and production, particularly in the context of the nineteenth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development,

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[1] *Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992*, vol. I, *Resolutions Adopted by the Conference* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigendum), resolution 1, annex II.

[2] *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August-4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 2, annex.

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1. *Takes note* of the report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the mid-decade review of the United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development,[3] including the areas identified for further action in the remaining half of the Decade;

2. *Also takes note* of the Bonn Declaration adopted at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization World Conference on Education for Sustainable Development on 2 April 2009,[4] including the areas identified for further action in the remaining half of the Decade;

3. *Recognizes* that while progress has been made in raising awareness of the significance of education for sustainable development, such progress remains unevenly distributed;

4. *Calls upon* the international community to reinforce its collective commitment to raise awareness of the significance of education for sustainable development, including through mobilizing resources, supporting national efforts and establishing processes that will continue beyond the end of the Decade;

5. *Encourages* Governments to continue implementing the Decade at the international, national and local levels, including through working with academia, institutions and foundations, for example through introducing the concept of sustainable development into training curricula, while working towards the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, twenty years after the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, and as a way to guide the efforts of human beings to rebalance their relationship with the Earth;

6. *Requests* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, as the designated lead agency, to continue its coordination role in promoting the United Nations Decade of Education for Su tainable Development, in cooperation with other relevant United Nations organizations and programmes;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to prepare a review of the implementation of the Decade for submission to the General Assembly at its seventieth session, under the sub-item entitled "United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development".

[3] A/65/279.

[4] Available from www.esd-world-conference-2009.org.

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Operational activities for development: operational activities for development of the United Nations system

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chair of the Committee, Mr. Jean Claudy Pierre (Haiti), on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.4

Operational activities for development of the United Nations system

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 62/208 of 19 December 2007 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, 63/232 of 19 December 2008 on operational activities for development, 64/220 of 21 December 2009 on operational activities for development of the United Nations system and 64/289 of 2 July 2010 on system-wide coherence, as well as Economic and Social Council resolutions 2008/2 of 18 July 2008, 2009/1 of 22 July 2009 and 2010/22 of 23 July 2010,

Recalling also the 2010 high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly on the Millennium Development Goals and its outcome,[1]

Reaffirming the importance of the comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development, through which the General Assembly establishes key system-wide policy orientations for development cooperation and country-level modalities of the United Nations system,

Acknowledging the importance of delivering assistance in order to overcome the challenges to improving human life by implementing its resolution 62/208,

Recalling the role of the Economic and Social Council in providing coordination and guidance to the United Nations system so as to ensure that policy orientations established by the General Assembly are implemented on a system-wide basis in accordance with Assembly resolutions 57/270 B of 23 June 2003, 61/16 of 20 November 2006 and 62/208 and other relevant resolutions,

[1] See resolution 65/1.

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1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the analysis of the funding of operational activities for development of the United Nations system for 2008,[2] recalls the section of resolution 64/289 on improving the funding system of operational activities for development of the United Nations system and looks forward to its implementation, and notes the progress made in broadening and improving reporting, in line with paragraph 28 of resolution 62/208;

2. *Also takes note* of the report of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation on its sixteenth session;[3]

3. *Further takes note* of the report on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women;[4]

4. *Recognizes* the importance of strengthening strategies for the operational activities for development of the United Nations system, in order to contribute to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals by 2015, especially in the least developed countries and other developing countries that are lagging behind in meeting the targets;

5. *Takes note* of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the role of the special representatives of the Secretary-General and resident coordinators and of the comments of the Secretary-General and the member organizations of the United Nations system thereon;[5]

6. *Also takes note* of Economic and Social Council decision 2009/214 of 22 July 2009 on operational activities for development and Council resolution 2010/22 on progress in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 62/208, and expresses appreciation for the guidance provided by the Council on the further implementation of Assembly resolution 62/208 as contained in Council resolution 2010/22;

7. *Recalls* that in its resolution 63/232, the General Assembly decided to hold its next comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system in 2012 and subsequent reviews on a quadrennial basis, and reiterates the request to the Secretary-General to postpone to its sixty-seventh session the submission, through the Economic and Social Council, of the comprehensive analysis of the implementation of Assembly resolution 62/208, to be prepared in accordance with the guidance contained in paragraph 143 of that resolution.

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[2] A/65/79-E/2010/76.

[3] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 39* (A/65/39).

[4] A/65/218.

[5] A/65/394 and Add.1.

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Agenda item 22 (a)
Globalization and interdependence: role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence

Yemen:* draft resolution

Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 62/199 of 19 December 2007, 63/222 of 19 December 2008 and 64/210 of 21 December 2009 on the role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence,

Recalling also the Monterrey Consensus of the International Conference on Financing for Development[1] and the Doha Declaration on Financing for Development,[2]

Recalling further its resolution 63/303 of 9 July 2009 on the Outcome of the Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and Its Impact on Development,

Recalling the outcome document of the High-level Plenary Meeting of the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly on the Millennium Development Goals,[3]

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 63/199 of 19 December 2008 on social justice for a fair globalization, in which the Assembly took note with interest of the adoption of the Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization,[4]

* On behalf of the States members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[1] *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18-22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.II.A.7), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

[2] Resolution 63/239, annex.

[3] See resolution 65/1.

[4] A/63/538-E/2009/4, annex.

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Recalling further the 2005 World Summit Outcome[5] and all relevant General Assembly resolutions, in particular those that have built upon the 2005 World Summit Outcome, in the economic, social and related fields, including Assembly resolution 60/265 of 30 June 2006 entitled "Follow-up to the development outcome of the 2005 World Summit, including the Millennium Development Goals and the other internationally agreed development goals",

Reaffirming that the United Nations has the central and leading role in promoting international cooperation for development and in promoting policy coherence on global development issues, including in the context of globalization and interdependence,

Reaffirming also the resolve expressed in the United Nations Millennium Declaration[6] to ensure that globalization becomes a positive force for all,

Recognizing that globalization and interdependence imply that the economic performance of a country is increasingly affected by factors outside its geographical borders and that maximizing in an equitable manner the benefits of globalization requires developing responses to globalization through a strengthened global partnership for development to achieve the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals,

Reaffirming its strong support for fair and inclusive globalization and the need to translate growth into poverty reduction and in this regard its resolve to make the goals of full and productive employment and decent work for all, including for women and young people, a central objective of relevant national and international policies as well as national development strategies, including poverty reduction strategies, as part of efforts to achieve the Millennium Development Goals,

1. *Recognizes* that some countries have successfully adapted to the changes and have benefited from globalization but that many others, especially the least developed countries, have remained marginalized in the globalizing world economy, and recognizes also that, as stated in the United Nations Millennium Declaration,[6] the benefits are very unevenly shared, while the costs are unevenly distributed;

2. *Reaffirms* the need for the United Nations to play a fundamental role in the promotion of international cooperation for development and the coherence, coordination and implementation of development goals and actions agreed upon by the international community, and resolves to strengthen coordination within the United Nations system in close cooperation with all other multilateral financial, trade and development institutions in order to support sustained economic growth, poverty eradication and sustainable development;

3. *Recognizes* that the scaling up of the successful policies and approaches in the implementation and the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals needs to be complemented by a strengthened global partnership for development;

4. *Reaffirms* the strengthening of the central role of the United Nations in enhancing partnerships for development, with a view to creating a supportive global environment for the attainment of the Millennium Development Goals, including

[5] See resolution 60/1.

[6] See resolution 55/2.

accelerating efforts to deliver and fully implement existing Millennium Development Goal 8 commitments;

5. *Stresses* that regional, subregional and interregional cooperation can play an important role in helping developing countries to integrate the global economy and to achieve their development objectives as well as in promoting a global partnership for development;

6. *Reaffirms* that the increasing interdependence of national economies in a globalizing world and the emergence of rules-based regimes for international economic relations have meant that the space for national economic policy, that is, the scope for domestic policies, especially in the areas of trade, investment and international development, is now often framed by international disciplines, commitments and global market considerations and that it is for each Government to evaluate the trade-off between the benefits of accepting international rules and commitments and the constraints posed by the loss of policy space;

7. *Expresses deep concern* regarding the continued high rates of unemployment, underemployment and employment insecurity as a consequence of the global financial and economic crisis, recognizes that decent work remains one of the best routes out of poverty, and in this regard urges Member States to promote the Global Jobs Pact as a general framework within which each country can formulate policy packages specific to its situation and national priorities in order to promote a job-intensive recovery and sustainable development, and also urges donor countries, multilateral organizations and other development partners to intensify assistance to developing countries to implement the Global Jobs Pact;

8. *Recognizes* that policies which link economic and social development can contribute to reducing inequalities within and among countries with a view to guaranteeing that the poor and those living in the most vulnerable situations maximize their benefits from economic growth and development;

9. *Underlines* the fact that, in addressing the linkages between globalization and sustainable development, particular focus should be placed on identifying and implementing mutually reinforcing policies and practices that promote sustained economic growth, social development and environmental protection and that this requires efforts at both the national and international levels;

10. *Stresses* the need for all countries to harness knowledge and technology and stimulate innovation if they are to improve their competitiveness, benefit from trade and investment and promote sustainable development, and in this regard underlines the importance of concrete actions to facilitate the transfer of technology under fair, transparent and mutually agreed terms to developing countries in support of the implementation of their development strategies;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session a report on the theme "Globalization and interdependence: sustained, inclusive and equitable economic growth for a fair and more equitable globalization for all, including job creation";

12. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-sixth session, under the item entitled "Globalization and interdependence", the sub-item entitled "Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence".

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Agriculture development and food security

Plurinational State of Bolivia: draft resolution

International Year of Quinoa, 2012

The General Assembly,

Noting that quinoa is a natural food high in nutritional value,

Recognizing that Andean indigenous peoples, through their traditional knowledge and practices of living well, in harmony with nature, have maintained, controlled, protected and preserved quinoa in its natural state, including its many varieties and landraces, as food for present and future generations,

Affirming the need to focus world attention on the role that quinoa biodiversity plays, owing to the nutritional value of quinoa, in providing food security, food sovereignty and eradicating poverty in support of the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, and the outcome document of the High-level Plenary Meeting on the Millennium Development Goals,

1. *Decides* to declare 2012 the International Year of Quinoa;

2. *Encourages* Member States and the specialized agencies of the United Nations system, within their respective mandates, to make preparations for and identify possible initiatives at the local and national levels that can contribute to the success of the International Year of Quinoa;

3. *Invites* the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to facilitate the implementation of the International Year of Quinoa, in collaboration with Governments, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Development Programme, Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research centres and other relevant organizations of the United Nations system, as well as indigenous peoples' organizations and non-governmental organizations;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session a report containing the state of preparations for the Year, taking into account the views and recommendations of Member States and of relevant United Nations agencies, funds and programmes, as appropriate.

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